FACT SHEET



General Information

Name of University

University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland – School of Business

Fachhoschule Nordwestschweiz (FHNW) - Hochschule für Wirtschaft

Erasmus Code

CH Bruggo2

Homepage

https://www.fhnw.ch/en/degree-programmes/business

Semester Dates

Autumn: September - January Spring: February - June

Accessibility

Wheelchair accessible

Course Offer

Information on courses: http://web.fhnw.ch/plattformen/iobusiness/exchange/courses







International Office

International website

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Nomination and Application Procedure

Applicants must have completed one academic year on a bachelor's level. Further students must be officially nominated by their home university. Once nominated students will receive an e-mail inviting them to apply.

A study programme of at least 15 ECTS per semester is required by our university.

1. Step: Student nomination (only from partner universities)

2. Step: Online application

Application deadline: Autumn semester: May 30

Spring semester: November 30

3. Step: Confirmation e-mail

4. Step: Letter of Acceptance

5. Step: SEMP/Allowance application6. Step: Plan your arrival (all students are expected to arrive before the

Info Session Day.)



Non-EU/EFTA citizens will need to apply for a student visa shortly after receiving their acceptance package, which will be sent to their home coordinator.

A residence permit is needed for EU and for non-EU/EFA citizens.

For further information, please check this website: https://www.studyinswitzerland.plus/visas-permits/





To apply as an exchange student, students must fulfill our language requirements:

For degree programmes and courses taught in English

Either a certificate from an acknowledged examiner (one of Cambridge First A-B, Cambridge Advanced, TOEFL iBT 79; paper based: 540; computer based: 213, TOEIC 780, IELTS 6, ELP B2, Bec Vantage) or a personally signed letter from a lecturer or international coordinator confirming the student has achieved a B2 level in English.

For degree programmes and courses taught in German

Either a certificate from an acknowledged examiner (e.g. Goethe-Zertifikat B2, telc B2) or a personally signed letter from a lecturer or international coordinator from the home university confirming the applicant has achieved a B2 level in German.



Cost of Living

Approximate Expenses (all prices in Swiss Francs)

Accommodation 400-900 CHF/month Food 300-400 CHF/month Transportation 200-300 CHF/month Health insurance (swisscare) 65-80 CHF/month Other expenses 200-300 CHF/month

Total per month: 1,165-1,980 CHF



Grants and allowances

Erasmus+ Programme: exchange students from a European partner university studying and living in Switzerland may be eligible to receive a **SEMP grant** from the Swiss Government.

Rest of the World: exchange students from a non-Erasmus+ programme country partner university may be eligible to receive an **allowance** of max. CHF 2200.- which is directly used to support student exchange.

Incoming students will receive further information after the acceptance procedure.



Accommodation

The International Office and/or the Accommodation Officer at the different campuses will assist exchange students to find accommodation.

Accommodation options can be found here: https://www.fhnw.ch/en/degree-programmes/business/international-experience/exchange-students/accommodation

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Student Council, ESN FHNW & Buddy System

At the FHNW there is a strong presence of student organisations. The FHNW has several student organisations such as the Student Council and the Erasmus Student Network (ESN) FHNW. Local students run these organisations on a voluntary basis and organise activities, trips, the buddy system and social events for and with exchange students throughout their stay at our university.



